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Briefly**Free martial arts classes**

The Free Spirit Martial Arts Academy is sponsoring a one-time program called Operation Reach Out that offers free classes to all between the ages of 8 and 80 at the West Madison Memorial Center, 903 West Washington St., Madison.

Persons under the age of 18 should have a parent present at the time of enrollment, which starts at 3 p.m. Jan. 27; classes will begin the same day.

For further information or to pre-register, persons may contact Antonio Jackson, 452-5449 or 577-4722 or 451-9832.

Faculty to present recital

Tenor Ronald Abraham, an assistant professor of music, and pianist Linda Perry, an associate professor of music, will present works by Schubert, Brahms, Mass and Liszt on Friday, Jan. 24, at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville. Both are members of the SIUE music faculty.

The recital, scheduled at 7:30 p.m. in the Lovejoy Library auditorium, will feature "Liederkreis, Op. 39," a song cycle of Schubert's songs based on the poetry of Victor Hugo by Franz Liszt; and six songs of Richard Strauss.

Audubon meeting Monday

The Southwestern Illinois Audubon Society will meet at 7:30 p.m. Monday at the St. John's Methodist Church on St. Louis Street in Edwardsville.

Dr. Jamie Thomerson, a biologist at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville, will show the film, "Population Explosion," about penguins.

The winter bird count will be discussed as well as unusual birds at feeders this winter.

For more information, persons may call Ruth Jensen at 931-1352.

Inside

Friday night was a good one for GCHS sports. The Warrior basketball team blasted East St. Louis 81-47 as Drake Marshall scored 30 points; the Lady Warriors edged Collinsville 74-70 in overtime at Memorial Gym behind Karen Sykes' 23 points; and the wrestling team stayed unbeaten (13-0) with a 57-9 win at Wood River.

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Mary Newman**Hot tip**

The National Association of Rainbow Division Veterans, 42nd Infantry (Rainbow) Division, World War I and World War II, will hold its 73rd annual reunion July 8-11 at the Grand Milwaukee Hotel, 4747 S. Howell Avenue, Milwaukee, Wis. 53207.

For information regarding registration for the reunion and application for RDVA Membership, contact the reunion chairman, Don Samolinski, 3729 Carl Street, Wausau, Wis. 54401, or telephone (715) 675-6221.

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Granite City Street Superintendent William Warfield said a proposed \$1,200 annual pay increase for his office "is far too much." He said a \$50 per month increase in his \$650 monthly salary would be adequate. On Feb. 27 the council approved a \$150 per month raise.

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Health care top local concern**Costello answers seniors' questions**By Mike Myers
Staff writer

U.S. Rep. Jerry Costello, D-21st District, faced about 100 senior citizens Thursday at the Granite City Township Hall and said he would try to answer any question on any subject.

Health care dominated the discussion.

The first question of the day was, "Are these measures really for the people or are they just politics?"

Costello admitted that many congressmen never hold town meetings and that the town meetings on health care now taking place nationwide are a new thing in some congressional districts.

Costello said he had held hundreds of town meetings since becoming a congressman and will continue to hold them.

"If the American people don't demand change, the American people aren't going to get change," he said.

By talking to thousands of people in my district, I have found the number one concern is 'Will I have a job tomorrow?' and number two is 'If I don't have a job, how will I get health care?'

"From talking to people, I believe national health care is one of the top three issues in my district."

The majority of the questions after that concerned a health care plan. Costello said he believes a sort of national health care plan will be approved this session.

"A society that cannot provide basic services for its citizens, and health care is one of the most basic, will not last very long," Costello said. "It is important that we have a medical system that includes all Americans."

It is important, however, Costello said, that Congress take the time and effort to develop a good national health care plan because "we will have to live with whatever it is for many years."

Costello said that while looking at a national plan, it is important that the people keep their right to choose their doctor and hospital. He also said the plan must include dental care.

Right now, Costello said, 25 cents of every dollar spent on health care goes to paperwork. He said the national plan must include paperwork (See COSTELLO, Page 10A)



(Staff photo by PAM DOEPKE-HURD)

Congressman Jerry Costello talks with Margaret Aufderheide of Granite City after his town meeting in Granite City Thursday morning.

Three health plans debatedBy Martin Richter
Staff writer

About 250 people turned up at the American Legion Hall in Collinsville on Tuesday for a forum on national health care.

The forum, which featured U.S. Rep. Richard J. Durbin, D-13th, and House Majority Leader Richard Gephardt, D-Missouri, coincided with meetings held across the United States by more than 200 Democratic members of Congress.

Sharing the podium with Durbin and Gephardt were Dr. George Weller, an attorney with pediatrician, and Charles Mohr, president of the Greater Madison County Federation of Labor, AFL-CIO.

The congressmen said they planned to use comments from their constituents and others across the country to build a consensus on how to deal with the country's health care crisis.

They noted that the United States is the only industrialized country, besides South Africa, that does not have some sort of national health care system.

They discussed three different proposals for national health care.

But while those attending the meeting made it abundantly clear that they were angry by the rising cost of health care, many said they would have to have more information about the plans (See CARE, Page 10A)

Plan minimizes school cuts

SPRINGFIELD — Welfare checks won't be reduced and state aid for schools won't be cut as severely under a compromise budget plan.

Legislators will return to the capital Tuesday to vote on the agreement forged between Gov. Jim Edgar and legislative leaders Thursday.

The plan, Democratic leaders indicated, proposes to take \$28 million away from the state

road fund for the next five months, to put \$35 million from various special funds into the general fund, for a \$13 million state aid reimbursement bonds and for \$10 million in new cuts.

Those revenue sources permitted restoring \$87 million in cuts Edgar originally proposed under a 3 percent reduction plan to slash the budget by \$350 million. Most of the restoration

would be for elementary and high schools and for Public Aid programs.

The package combines about \$200 million in spending cuts and \$500 million in borrowing to pay over dues.

The \$280 million includes cuts of 4 percent to 5 percent for some agencies.

State universities, for example, including Southern Illinois University (See BOARD, Page 10A)

2nd mistrial in child porn caseBy Nicole Vaughn
Staff writer

A slip of the prosecutor's tongue caused a Madison County judge to declare a mistrial for the second time in a child pornography case against a Granite City man.

Judge J. Lawrence Keshner declared a mistrial Friday in the case against Timothy Carney, 37.

Keshner said Assistant State's Attorney Craig Jensen's reference to a previous jury while cross-examining Carney on Thursday prejudiced the jury.

"It was an inadvertent mistake made in the heat of the moment," Keshner said. "But I firmly believe it prejudiced the jury."

Keshner said he had cautioned Jensen once out of the earshot of the jury, and Jensen made the reference a second time.

"There are just certain things you don't do," Keshner said. "You have to watch the use of the word 'insurance' in personal injury cases and (See MISTRIAL, Page 10A)

Superintendent pessimisticBy Jennifer Kulier
Correspondent

The future for Madison schools is now facing even more state budget cuts, but the outlook looks bleak, said Superintendent Dan Kostencki at Thursday night's board meeting.

Kostencki said that although he could not predict the future of Madison schools' status on the state's financial

watch list, he said he thought it would be a "pretty depressing picture."

"I have a feeling a lot of other districts are going to join us on that list," Kostencki said. "What we can do is keep expenses down, but there's only so much we can cut without hurting children."

Madison's school budget has finished the last two years in the black and was (See KOSTENCKI, Page 10A)



Dan Kostencki

By Christopher Knight
Staff writer

SPRINGFIELD — A Granite City Council plan to tax lottery sales could do poorly if considered by the Legislature, because it appears to cut money earmarked for education.

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The tax wouldn't raise the \$1 price of tickets.

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Happy birthday! — Nora Stallings blows out the candles on her birthday cake at Colonial Care Center on Thursday afternoon. Helping her celebrate her 102nd birthday are, from left, Mayor Von Dee Cruse, Shirley Stallings, her daughter-in-law, and Clarence L. Stallings, her son. A family party will be held this afternoon at Colonial Care Center, where Nora Stallings resides.

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plan may be fought for us," said Roger Huebner, director of the legislative program of the Municipal League. "Especially if (legislators) feel it will deprive education of money."

"If the bill drafted reduces money going to education, then I'm sure educators will be angry," Huebner said.

Huebner wasn't sure how the initial legislative proposal will (See TAX, Page 10A)

BAC plans study of valuations

By Jim Haverstick
Staff writer

Belleville Area College plans to investigate requests by 13 area property owners who are seeking reductions in their assessments.

At BAC's board meeting Wednesday night, the trustees voted to have the college attorney, Bob Becker, intervene on behalf of the college at real estate assessment hearings before the appropriate county boards to review and the State Board of Review.

Becker will be attending the hearings to see if the assessed value reductions are justified, he said.

The 13 business owners are each seeking reductions of more than \$100,000, Becker said.

If the property owners receive a reduction in the assessed value of their property, their property tax bills would be lower, reducing revenue for the college, he said.

The businesses include:

- Bloomer Amusement Company
- Drury Inn Inc.
- A.J. Nester, Trustee
- Lebanon Apartments
- John B. Gundlach
- Midwest Lodging Association
- Peabody Coal Corp.
- Chemical Waste Management
- Raymond Weier et al
- American National Bank of Chicago
- Magna Trust — Venture Stores
- Magna Trust — Westfield Plaza
- Springfield Associates L.P.

In other business, the board approved William Lyke of Belleville as assistant director of personnel at \$32,000 a year.

Trustee Ted Farmer protested the appointment, saying that he knew of another candidate more qualified for the position.

Farmer said he asked one of the 80 applicants for the job to send him a copy of his resume so that Lyke's resume could be compared with the other's.

Board Chairman Robert Maxwell called Farmer's actions "completely improper for a board member."

Maxwell said that, if Farmer had questions or doubts about the application screening process, he should have taken his concerns to the Personnel Committee before the committee selected someone for the job.

"The college is lucky to get a man of Mr. Lyke's qualifications at that salary," said Trustee Mark Levy.

Farmer's was the only "No" vote.

What's New Coming In Your Journal

Colorful

Embarrassment has turned to pride in the case of orthodontic devices used to straighten teeth — at least in the eyes of some young people who have begun using colors to brighten the looks of their braces. The colors come in the form of Alastik Ligatures, which hold the metal brace to the brackets on each tooth.

Election time

The 1992 presidential race is already drawing interest across the nation. But in Metro East an election eight months earlier promises to create excitement of its own. The March primary, jeopardized by a fight over legislative redistricting, features interesting races for a variety of posts. See the Journal and Press-Record for continuing coverage.

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Time capsule



From the past — Beautification of the downtown Granite City business district was expanded to include the City Hall lawn in June 1958 when garden club members planted rose bushes in a horseshoe-shaped bed around the Daughters of Union Veterans monument. From left are Mrs. Ida Hanfeler, vice president of the Thorgate Garden Club; Mrs. Lawrence Markham, Thorgate president; city alderman, Mrs. Gabrielle Betinec, chairman of the Beautification Committee of the downtown revitalization program; and Mrs. William Kirchner of the Garden Study Club.

Cable cost to be topic of meeting

"Are We Paying Too Much for Cable Television?" will be the topic of a Jan. 29 session of the Foils Series at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville.

The program, "Update on Segregation in the St. Louis Metropolitan Area," originally scheduled on this date, has been rescheduled for Feb. 19.

Focus programs meet at 10 a.m. Wednesday in the Mississippi Illinois Rooms of the University Center. Presented for the Jan. 29 session will be John Meisel, professor of economics at the university.

"Congress and the Federal Communications Commission are currently considering ways to facilitate competition in the provision of cable television service," Meisel said. "Increased regulation of cable and reduction of barriers to entry to the market are two options under consideration."

He said it is becoming increasingly apparent that eventually cable television companies will be allowed to provide video services in competition with local cable television monopolists.

Sponsored by Lifetime Learning Activities, the series for senior citizens, the series explores topics of current interest.

Additional information on the Focus Series may be obtained by calling 692-3210.

Police log

Granite City

Hit-run crash alleged

Valued at a total of \$1,280 were stolen in a burglary at Reliable Stereo, 3636 Nameoki Road, it was discovered Jan. 13.

Parole violation alleged

Gerald Capriglione, 39, was arrested outside the Chain of Rocks Motel on Jan. 13 after officers were notified that he was wanted for an alleged parole violation. He was carrying his car keys and was staying at the motel. He was located in his car on the motel parking lot. He was held for Jefferson County, Ill. authorities on a charge of possession of a hypodermic syringe and on traffic violations.

Video equipment taken

A video camera and a tripod

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Absentee deadline tough, Bowles says

Madison County is such an intricate jigsaw puzzle under the new legislative map that figuring out where the pieces go could threaten election deadlines.

"I really don't know if we can make it by Feb. 11," Madison County Clerk Evelyn Bowles said Jan. 14, referring to the start of absentee balloting.

Not only has the county been split into seven new Illinois House districts, but several precincts also have been split, increasing the difficulty for her office to issue voter cards for the March 17 primary election, Bowles said.

State Rep. Jim McPike, D-Alton, House majority leader, said a computer analysis by the House Democratic Caucus Tuesday indicated that 19 precincts within his current district are now divided into more than one House district under the new map, approved Jan. 10 by the Illinois Supreme Court.

McPike's current district includes Alton, Godfrey and Wood River Township. He said one of his precincts was split, with 10 residents now in the 97th District instead of the 11th. He said he apparently still lives in his own district.

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Hooks urges:

Help fight to keep King dream alive

Lisa Nelson was four years old when Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. died, but she still holds onto his dream.

"Dr. King is the reason we're going even today," said Nelson, 27, a senior at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville.

Nelson's dream to teach poor children got a boost Tuesday from Bernadine Hooks, executive director of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

She looked up from her math book in the University Center lounge and was surprised to see Hooks standing in front of her.

She smiled, picked up Nelson's math paper and said: "Lisa, I'd give you an A grade on this algebra problem."

Hooks, a friend of King's, spoke at SIUE's 10th annual celebration of the slain civil rights leader's birthday.

Hooks had stopped through the University Center lounge shaking hands with students.

"I'm worried about the lack of interest of young black students in the civil rights movement in this country," Hooks said. "They don't want to get involved, and that's tragic."

Blacks and whites eat in the same restaurants because of the influence of King, Hooks told black students in the center.

"Don't take those sacrifices for granted," he said. "I remember when I had to go to the back door of a white restaurant to buy

a hot dog and then sit on the street curb to eat it."

Alonzo Davis, 24, an electrical engineering student, reached out to shake Hooks' hand.

Davis said black students do not get involved in civil rights because of a lack of leadership.

"We need someone to follow, to look up to," he said.

For King's birthday dinner, Hooks, Davis and whites to work together to combat a rising number of hate groups such as the Ku Klux Klan.

Presidential aspirant David Duke, a Ku Klux Klan leader trying to turn the country against King's vision, Hooks said. "They will never kill Dr. King's dream of equal rights for everyone."

King was a gentle man, a patriot. He loved his country and wanted every person to have the same opportunity."

Nelson said she would never forget her meeting with Hooks, which brought back memories of Dr. King.

Nelson said she had pictures of King at her home in Alton. She also said that sometimes she is inspired to tape King's message, "I Have a Dream," delivered from the steps of the Lincoln Memorial in Washington, D.C.

"I get goose pimples every time I hear it. It makes me believe that I can make a difference in the lives of the kids I'm teaching someday."

— From the Alton Telegraph



(Staff photo by PAM DOEPKE-HURD)

Making snowballs — Tiffany Tellor, 9, stops on her way home from Wilson School to make a snowball Tuesday afternoon.

Food distribution here Wednesday

Area officials will be giving out surplus federal-government-food commodities at four locations Wednesday.

Sites include the Chouteau Township Social Center, located at 906 North Thornhill Drive, and the Madison County commodities will be distributed at 8 a.m.

Commodities also will be distributed by Venecius Township at Engelbert Hall, 10th Street and Washington Avenue, Madison, starting at 8 a.m.

Supplies will be given out at the Nameoki Township Hall, 4250 Highway 162, beginning at 7:30 a.m. Wednesday, and (for Granite City Township residents) at the Salvation Army, 3007 E. 23rd St., beginning at 8 a.m.

All will be distributing corn meal; but-

ter, flour, apple sauce, vegetarian beans, peanut butter, pork, tomatoes, pet food.

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— From the Alton Telegraph

Four decades of insurance

By Brian Henry
Correspondent

In his 44 years with State Farm Insurance, Ed Nichols of Granite City dealt with numerous types of insurance policies.

But as far as he's concerned, honesty was his best policy.

Nichols, now 73 years old, retired on Dec. 31 to cap off a career that spanned more than four decades and took twists and turns in all directions.

He first started in the insurance business in 1941, but it wasn't until 1947 that he linked up with State Farm as one of its local insurance agents.

Prior to his association with State Farm, Nichols worked at two other insurance companies. Because of conflicts over business practices at those agencies, Nichols had to switch before he succeeded.

He was first introduced to the insurance game when 22 years old. A premium collector had hauled in much more than he was supposed to and fled the country. The manager approached Nichols about taking a job there.

There was one catch: the company couldn't hire anyone under age 23. But, through a little imagination and persuasion, Nichols found himself in the insurance business.

"It got to the point where they were telling me I wasn't good enough. I wasn't," he said. "Our older son was born that year, so I played along with it to have a job."

World War II changed plans as Nichols volunteered for the Merchant Marine and served until the war was over. After the war, Nichols traveled and sailed through such major bodies of water as the Gulf and Mediterranean Sea.

He didn't get a warm welcome home from his

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Senate candidates to debate

The three candidates for the Democratic U.S. Senate nomination apparently will debate at least once before the March 17 primary. "I realize you're already engaged in a strenuous debate with your own record, but it seems only fair to let your challengers participate," challenger Al Hofeld wrote in a letter delivered to independent Alan Dixon.

Spokesmen for all of the candidates — Dixon of Belleville and Hofeld and Carol Moseley Braun, both of Chicago — said at least one debate was likely.

But details remain to be worked out, said Alton Miller, director of communications for the Dixon campaign.

Hofeld claimed that Dixon had agreed to eight debates in a letter handed directly to Dixon's Chicago campaign office.

Dixon spokesman Erin Kern said Dixon wanted to debate.

"We've always maintained that we will debate and we look forward to debating," Kern said.

"All (we) said" was to have debate debates, but he does not want to debate the issues. He criticizes Dixon on health care, but he hasn't said what his position is.

Kern said she thought there would be at least one debate, but the number of debates is among matters being negotiated with potential opponents.

Hofeld said Braun suggested in November that the candidates meet in a series of debates around the state, but there has been no reply from the other candidates.

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THE VOICE BOX:

Do you think Dan Quayle could beat the Democrats in a run for president?

By John Swistak Jr., T.L. Witt and Linda Schaefer.



Beulah Davis, Granite City. "He wouldn't have a chance. He's a draft dodger. I don't like him."



Kent Wilbanks, Granite City. "My first reaction is he is too young. He doesn't have the experience. You have to have it upstairs, he doesn't. Maybe it is just because I am a Democrat."



John Echells, Collinville. "He won't do good. He is too young. He doesn't have the experience. You have to have it upstairs, he doesn't. Maybe it is just because I am a Democrat."



Virginia Kolassa, Collinsville. "As long as he is a Republican he will do a good job, and I will go for it. I have never seen one good thing the Democrats have done, and I am 70 years old."



Kimberle Sobol, Edwardsville. "I don't think Quayle would get elected. He doesn't have what it takes."



Bruce McNeese, East St. Louis. "Dan Quayle would have better chance than George Bush. Bush isn't going to get elected because of the bad economy. That's a negative for Bush."

•Agent

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company; his wages were sliced dramatically. As a result, he quit.

It was then on to an insurance agency in Chicago. He was transferred to Cincinnati and then to St. Louis as a claims manager. An argument over a bill that paid resulted in him leaving that job as well.

"I got into a rhubarb with a man who said I didn't pay on a claim when I actually did," he said. "I quit. The president of the company begged me to come back. But I didn't want to represent a company that wasn't honest. I can't condone their practices at all."

Nichols decided to take a crack at working at a steel plant in Granite City. The experience of working in a furnace lasted all of three days. "I couldn't take that kind of heat, so I walked out," he said.

Roy Thebeau, who at the time was a State Farm agent, remembered Nichols and offered him a position.

He accepted and thus began his relationship with the Illinois-based insurance company. Nichols eventually built a friendship with the founder of State Farm, George Meherle. Nichols recounted the history of

the firm, which got its start in 1922.

As the story goes, Meherle invested \$100,000 and used his good educational background to set up an underwriting company solely for farmers, hence the name State Farm.

Friends at his thought he was crazy at first, but they eventually aided him and started the business. The first policy ever written by Meherle, according to Nichols, was written up on a brown paper bag.

Nichols' first office was his own living room, but the owner of Krill's Market leased a small area for \$10 a month where Nichols did business.

He got his big break from then-bank president Henry D. Karandjeff, who with a partner was going to buy the Southwestern Bell building downtown. They were looking for people to occupy office space there.

Karandjeff offered Nichols two rooms with all of the modern conveniences for \$75 a month; the room at Krill's didn't even have plumbing.

"I don't believe in doing something unless I can," Nichols said. "Seventy-five dollars a month was a lot of money. I couldn't believe it."

"He was trying to tell me something. I knew that he liked me and he wasn't going to tell

me that straight out.

"My wheels started spinning and I decided that, if he'd trust me, I'd talk to him and he'd see he acted like he was thrilled to death. I never regretted it."

As president of the bank, Karandjeff told his loan officers to send insurance customers to Nichols. A steady stream of prospective insurance buyers started heading in and Nichols began to prosper.

"It wasn't for him, I wouldn't be where I am today," Nichols said.

Nichols came full-circle in regard to the locations of his office. He started out in a home, moved to an office complex, and then back to his residence on Madison Avenue.

Through the years, Nichols has seen just about every type of insurance. He has seen all the changes that have taken place in the past four decades.

He said it is almost impossible to compare today's insurance policies with those when he began. The skyrocketing costs and the extensive background searches prior to giving insurance are two of the biggest changes.

Although the insurance business can be tedious at times, Nichols said, on some occasions he was faced with claims that were humorous.

His wife, Pauline, recounted a story that had to do with a man's new automobile and a vain bull.

"The funniest claim we've had was when a man took his new, black Studebaker into the countryside to visit some relatives," she said.

"A bull wandered out onto the road and saw his reflection on the car. That bull butted its head against the car until there was no more car left. That's an example of some of the claims we've had."

Up to the time of his retirement, he had policies that covered as many as four generations of families he has helped to insure.

He has accepted the idea of retirement and feels it is for the best.

Even though he put considerable time and effort into his job, Nichols had plenty of time to develop a variety of hobbies that he enjoys. From wood working to making jewelry out of rocks, Nichols has an extensive range of diversions.

In fact, he was just wrapping up a conversation with another ham operator in Chicago when a writer came calling on him.

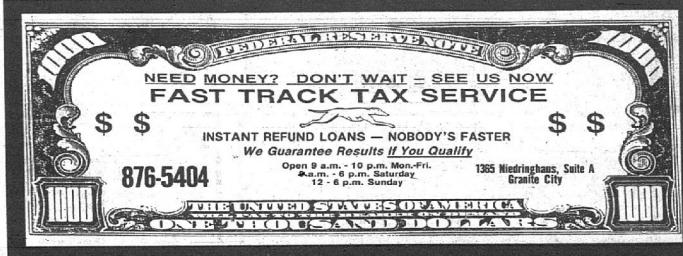
"I've enjoyed it immensely," Nichols said of his radio hobby.

"It's a great pleasure when you make friends and get cards from all over the world."

Nichols is a self-taught radio operator and got his license in 1962. He has built himself a large radio set that also includes a computer terminal for added online communications.

Nichols also spends time in front of a canvas doing oil paintings.

"I taught myself about the rocks and I worked and read to become a ham operator," he said. "I've done a lot of things on my own."



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6th-graders graduate from DARE program



(Staff photos by PAM DOEPKE-HURD)

Graduation time — Sixth grade students from Maryville, Marshall, Lake, Parkview and Frohardt schools received certificates for completing the Drug Abuse Resistance Education program. Graduation ceremonies were held at the Granite City High School auditorium Wednesday morning. At top left, the 1991 national teacher of the year, Ed Schroeder, speaks to students about self esteem. Top right, students wait for the ceremonies to begin. At right, Jason Tindall of Marshall School receives his certificate from DARE Officer Walter Milton, Jr. At left, Maryville School sixth grader Mary Martinez receives her certificate.

911 dispatcher training is set

The last scheduled training sessions for Madison County 911 dispatchers are set to begin the week of Feb. 24.

The classes will train about 25 Emergency Telephone System dispatchers, including five new Sheriff's Department dispatchers scheduled to begin work Jan. 27, according to 911 Coordinator David Whipple.

The dispatching system is scheduled to begin about April 1, Whipple said. It is being financed by a 65-cent monthly surcharge on telephone bills.

The training is offered by the Southwestern Illinois Law Enforcement Commission through Belleville Area College. Other dispatchers who will handle 911 calls at points throughout the county already have been trained.

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Tree recycling — Illinois Power employee Larry Bloomquist of Granite City runs a tree through a brush chipping machine Monday morning in Woodland Park in Collinsville. Illinois Power donated its services to chip Christmas trees collected by the Collinsville Area Recreation District. District Director Dick Dooley estimates the district will collect more than 1,000 trees by Sunday.

SIUE maintenance crew may be cut

SPRINGFIELD — Seven maintenance workers at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville could be out of work for the month under a budget-cutting plan.

The layoffs of craft union workers would save about \$72,000, part of the \$1.54 million in cuts school officials proposed.

Proposed cuts if Gov. Jim Edgar's request for 3 percent appropriation reductions is approved by lawmakers.

SIUE cuts were outlined for lawmakers at an appropriations committee hearing Jan. 14.

Other proposed cuts at Southern Illinois University at

Edwardsville include saving \$450,000 by deferring replacement of instructional equipment, \$300,000 by upgrading older equipment, \$340,000 by curtailting maintenance of instructional labs, \$98,000 by delaying replacement of administrative equipment and \$36,000 by not filling the job of director of university relations.

SIUE President Earl Lazerson said he has also imposed a hiring freeze for the rest of the year.

He said the cuts were intended to avoid any impact on course offerings in the short run. But in the long run they will leave the

university with greater maintenance needs and outmoded equipment, he said.

SIUE's Mental Health and Developmental Center is not expected to face any staff reductions as a result of the budget cuts.

Department of Mental Health spokesman Pat Alvarez said Alton will also be permitted to hire people for vacant jobs because of early retirements.

The facility will be cut 3 percent in non-clerkial parts of its budget, including utilities, maintenance, food, supplies and travel, Alvarez said.

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Oriental garden being created here

Spring this year will signal a new step in the upgrading of the gardens of Wilson Park.

The first step in the upgrade was taken in 1991 with the installation of a Japanese garden. The second step was the renovation of Sieveking Gardens and a program to reforest Wilson Park by having Park District citizens contribute trees in remembrance of family members or to honor a special person.

Over 100 such contributions were made in 1991, and the program continues this year. In the spring of 1992, renovation of the area known as the "sunken garden" will be undertaken. The sunken garden will be transformed into an "Oriental style" garden. This area is located where the old swimming pool was, directly behind the present pool.

Announcement of this new garden area was made by Nancy Sanders-Miles, president of the Board of Park Commissioners.

At one time this area was developed and kept beautiful. However, numerous trees have been unattended. The style of this Oriental garden will give the new development its name — Tranquility.

It will feature dry streams, blooming trees and shrubs, evergreens, rock formations, and grasses, all of which are symbolic of a tranquil countryside. As with the "Tree for Wilson Park" program, the public is invited to contribute toward the purchase of items needed to construct this garden.

An individual, groups, and organizations are invited to choose from a list of specific items needed, and to have their choice planted or installed as a memorial for an individual, a member of a sponsoring group, a group, or in the name of a member of the family.

The development of this garden area will also give school groups and other youth groups an opportunity to study a part of the area and they will then identify this as "theirs."

The Board of Commissioners

scheduled the start of this new garden area in 1991, and work on it began in the fall. Already, several persons and organizations have made contributions, and they are in the area now, along with commemorative identification.

A listing of items needed for this project is in the Wilson Park section of the Granite City, Illinois, telephone directory.

Monical, groundskeeper, will return the call or set a time for getting together with the donor. If it is desired, he will give a personal tour of the area to the donor to see what his or her contribution will be.

Some of the items needed to bring this garden into being are:

groupings of shrubs, groups of large rocks, sand, cobblestones, plantings of grasses (decorative), bamboo, trees (new and some old), and stone benches and many other items.

The cost of items needed begins at \$60, which covers the cost of an item (\$40) and the cost of the memorial plaque (\$20).

Prices vary according to size, species, or type of item chosen. All items placed in the garden must be appropriate for Wilson Park and the district will also designate locations so as to maintain the concept and design.

A special day for recognizing those who make contributions and for dedicating the Tranquility garden, will be held off the day following Arbor Day, Saturday, April 25.

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Christmas in April Realtors plan repair program

The Granite City Board of Realtors Inc. is striving to keep the spirit of Christmas alive in the Granite City area, Board President Lucinda Schmidt said in announcing formation of "A Christmas in April" home maintenance program.

A breakfast meeting April Kickoff breakfast will be held Thursday, Jan. 23, at Charlie's First Season Restaurant. Area dignitaries, lenders, contractors, clergy, corporations and title companies are invited to attend.

Those interested in attending the breakfast or donating time, building materials or cash may call Rose Eichard, board secretary, or the neighborhood relations chairman, at 452-3301.

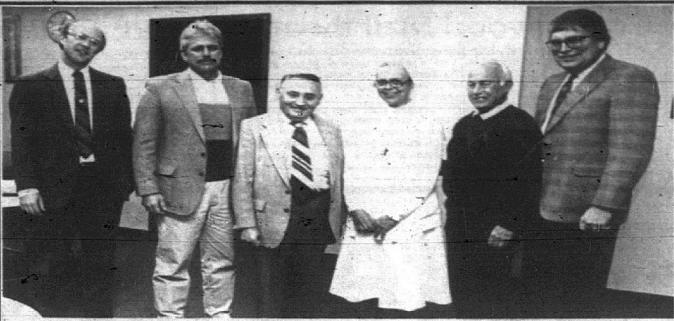
"The board looked around the community and saw that what that needed fixing," a growing number of the neighborhood help maintaining their homes," Schmidt said. "Low-income and handicapped people, elderly in particular, can no longer afford to have leases repaired, defective wiring corrected, rotting steps replaced, etc."

The Granite City Board of Realtors has decided to do something about that. The old idea of a bazaar meeting could be revived and applied to the area."

The board is recruiting skilled and unskilled volunteers to donate their materials and monetary contributions.

"We are hoping for hundreds of volunteers from all walks of life to join together and bring the miracle of Christmas to our community," said David Vice President and Committee Chairwoman Burel Schmitz.

"The more support and volunteers we get, the more homes we can help. We are shooting for a goal of one to three homes. We hope we can get it started and that it will spread."



Development gift — Dean Aerne, president of AMSCO Mechanical Inc. in Granite City, and his father, Walter Aerne, contributed \$7,500 to St. Elizabeth Medical Center through its newly created development board. From left are John Mohl, SEMC's director of development; Dean Aerne; Leo Wolf, who solicited the gift on behalf of the medical center; Sister Mary Thomas, chairman of the SEMC board; Walter Aerne; and Ted Eilerman, SEMC president.

SIUE homecoming set for Jan. 21-25

Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville 1992 Homecoming events are scheduled Jan. 21-25, starting with an Activities Fair from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 21, on the first floor of the University Center.

As part of SIUE Spirit Day, Jan. 22, the Homecoming Court will be crowned at a pep rally noon in the Goshen Lounge of the University Center.

The Alumni Association's Continuing Education Series will offer a "Pop on the Pot" on Small Business at 7 p.m. Jan. 22, and the film "Ricochet" will be shown at 8 p.m. at the Vadalabene Center pool.

Entertainment will be featured in Goshen Lounge from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 23, followed by a second screening of "Ricochet" at 7 p.m. in the Deja Vu Room of the UC, and a Back to the Beach indoor beach

party will take place at the Tower Lake Commons Building.

"Spend a Night in Tropical Ecstasy" at the Homecoming dance will be presented from 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 24, to 1 a.m. and the Homecoming king and

queen will be crowned at 11 p.m. Homecoming events culminate with basketball games against Quincy University on Saturday, Jan. 25. The women's game will be played at 8:35 p.m. and the men's game at 7:35 p.m.

The idea to tax local lottery

Tax

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read, or whether it would take money from education, because legislators haven't agreed to draw up bills.

Huebsch added that he was confident legislators would agree to sponsor Skubish's plan.

State law requires that all lottery revenue be 28 percent of every \$1 spent toward the Common School Fund, which helps finance public education.

State figures show that 8 percent comes from the lottery.

Nevertheless, Skubish said, a local lottery tax is needed to halt the large amount of money leaving Granite City.

In the ZIP code area covering Granite City, residents spent \$14.8 million on the lottery during the first nine months of 1991, Skubish said. "It's not fair to extract so much money from the economy and not give much back," he said.

The idea to tax local lottery

sales came to Skubish while he was trying to relieve the city of

budget shortfalls. State and local decisions have left the city with budget problems, he said.

Problems include state-mandated landfill fees amounting to \$320,000 yearly, back pay owed to 200 city employees and an expected 11.1 percent hike in utility bills. The latter will cost the city an extra \$120,000 a year in street lights alone.

Granite City council members last year approved a city budget that will cause a deficit, Skubish said. Without some infusion of money, the city will lay off 20 to 22 city employees in several departments, he said.

Skubish said he isn't opposed to the lottery, but added that he also doesn't like \$14 million leaving the city while we could use it for our needs."

Legislators could split over the issue, said Rep. Sam Wolf, D-Granite City, depending primarily on whether they feel the problem is with education.

Wolf said Skubish's proposal has merit, but he "wouldn't want to make a guess" on how legislators feel about a lottery tax until he sees the bill.

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Soil District annual dinner Feb. 7

The Madison County Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) will hold its 45th annual dinner meeting and election of directors on Friday, Feb. 7, at the Community Center in Hamel. Registration will begin at 6 p.m. A buffet-style dinner, served by Sandy's Catering at 6:30 p.m., will be followed by a business meeting, an election of directors and speakers.

Three directors will be elected to serve two-year terms. The three up for re-election are Gene Daiber, Irvin Helmer and Walter Bohn.

Tickets are \$6.

Cottonwood Mall theater closed; replacement sought

The only cinema in the Edwardsville-Glen Carbon area has given a farewell performance, but a sequel may be planned. Cottonwood Cinemas closed its three-screen outlet in the Cottonwood Mall after the late show Jan. 16, but the mall's owner is trying to lure another theater chain.

"We are working with several people and they have expressed some interest," said Scott Stinson, asset manager for Leo Eisenberg Co., the mall owner.

asked if there was anything we could do and they said, 'No.' " Gary Green, district manager for Carmike Theaters in Atlanta, Ga., declined to comment. The cinema manager could not be reached for comment.

Carmike Theaters, which operated the cinema since 1981, declined to renew its option on a 10-year lease at a higher rent, Stinson said. Renewals, he added, are typically subject to negotiations.

The closing, Stinson said, "had nothing to do with the landlord. We would have worked with anybody."

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Obituaries



Mary Newman

Mary Vesta (Brooksher) Newman, 75, of Granite City died at 3:05 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 16, 1992, at Barnes Hospital, St. Louis. She had been ill for two months and hospitalized the same length of time.

Mrs. Newman was born Aug. 6, 1916, in Anna, Ill. She had resided in Granite City for 20 years and in Prairie du Rocher for 29 years. She was a homemaker and of the Protestant faith.

Survivors include two daughters, Mary Pabst of Granite City and Alice Rainey of Prairie du Rocher; one brother, William Brooksher of Granite City; five

grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, William F. Newman, who died March 1972; and her parents, Benjamin and Bertha Lynn Brooksher.

Visitation will be held from 4 to 8 p.m. today (Sunday) at Thomas Memorial Mortuary, 201 Pontoon Road, Granite City, where services will be conducted at 1 p.m. Monday by the Rev. Ron Johnson. Burial will be at St. John Cemetery in Granite City.

Memorials are suggested for the American Cancer Society.

Mary Slezinger

Mary J. (Estes) Slezinger, 63, of Edwardsville died at 7:10 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 16, 1992, at her residence.

Mrs. Slezinger was born April 8, 1928, in Mitchell. She was a school bus attendant for Mayflower Bus Company for the past 11 years.

She was a member of Edwardsville First United Methodist Church and Granite City Eastern Star Chapter 650, and an elder and 50-year member of Mitchell Presbyterian Church.

Survivors include a son, Kevin W. Slezinger of Edwardsville; one daughter, Cindy Slusher of Cincinnati; one brother, John F. Estes of Peveto, Mo.; and two sisters, Martha A. Kathan of Mitchell and Virginia Estes of Denver.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Defmar W. Slezinger, whom she married Aug. 28, 1947, and who died April 25, 1988; and her parents, John and Mary (French) Estes.

Visitation will be held from 4 to 8 p.m. today (Sunday) at Matera Funeral Home, 210 N. Kansas St., Edwardsville, where services will be conducted at 6 p.m. Monday. Burial will be at Valley View Cemetery in Edwardsville.

Memorials are suggested for Mitchell Presbyterian Church.



Funeral — services were held Friday at Irwin Chapel for Mrs. Bernice (Lee) Gunn, Granite City, who died Tuesday, Jan. 14, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. Burial took place at St. John Cemetery in Granite City.

Pilots president to speak at Parks College

Phil Boyer, president of the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association, will speak at 12:45 p.m. Friday, Jan. 24, at Parks College of St. Louis University in the Cahokia.

His lecture will be given in the King Hawk Student Center and is titled "The Future of General Aviation."

Boyer became president of the 300,000-member AOPA a year ago. A long-time general aviation executive and general aviation advocate, Boyer is a 3,300-hour private pilot who has been flying for 25 years, 13 of those as an aircraft owner.

He is a government and multi-engine rated, and his love of aviation has crossed over into his

broadcasting career for many years. He is probably best known as the pilot of the television and publisher of ABC's Wide World of Flying, a quarterly subscription-based video magazine produced since 1987.

Prior to his selection as AOPA president, Boyer served as senior vice president of development for Capital Cities/ABC Video Enterprises Inc.

His responsibilities there included exploring new business opportunities in communications technologies as well as providing coordination for the international activities of divisions within the nation's largest city.

At ABC, Boyer has been a

member of the formation of an all-sports cable channel in Europe.

Boyer has held the executive position of vice president and general manager at ABC's flagship station, WABC-TV in New York, and at WLS-TV in Chicago.

At WAEC-TV, he was responsible for 500 employees and for serving the diverse interests of

the nation's largest city.

The recipient of numerous awards for his contributions to quality broadcast programming, Boyer has also been presented a letter of commendation by the Federal Aviation Administration for assisting to a safe landing a student who was trapped above the clouds.

AFL-CIO backs Harrison for high court

Appealed Judge Moses Harrison has picked up another key endorsement in his bid to be the Democratic candidate for a vacancy on the Illinois Supreme Court.

The state AFL-CIO on Thursday put its weight behind Harrison, of Caseyville, who is the primary election opponent for the high court vacancy created by the death of Justice Horace Cal-

vo of Glen Carbon, formerly of Granite City.

The endorsement carries funding, volunteers, campaign funding and clout with the many union members in the court's Fifth District. Harrison also has received endorsements from the Madison and St. Clair County Democratic central committees.

Harrison's opponents in the

March 17 primary election are fellow Fifth District Appellate Judge Charles E. Chapman of Edwardsville and First Circuit Judge Carl Becker of Red Bud.

The AFL-CIO state convention Thursday also endorsed incumbent U.S. Sen. Alan Dixon, D-Bellwood, over his two primary election opponents, lawyer Al Hofeld of Chicago and Chicago Recorder of Deeds Carol Moseley Braun.

Garrett foe will stay on ballot

By Nicole Vaughn
Staff writer

Despite the invalidation of one of his petition sheets, Charles "Skip" Johnson will remain on the ballot as a Democratic candidate for the Madison County Board District 23, the county's Electoral Board has ruled.

Johnson's petitions were challenged Dec. 23 by incumbent County Board member Don Garrett, D-Madison.

At a Jan. 9 hearing, Garrett got the testimony of a woman who testified that Johnson was not present when they signed the petition, and yet his signature appeared on that sheet as the circulator.

Under the Election Code the two signatures are to be stricken.

A case precedent also holds that on any sheet where some signatures are invalidated, the entire sheet may be invalidated.

Expected to again this year. However, Kostencki said the state's June payment being late was the first strike against the school.

The school's loss of state Rep. Sam Wolf, D-Granite City, due to redistricting, was another strike against education, Kostencki said.

We've whacked again with the redistricting," he said. "It was always a friend to education, and we will feel a tremendous loss without him," he said.

In other business, the board

•Mistrial

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this is me different. You can't prejudice a jury against the defendant," Keshner said.

Attorney for Madison County State's Attorney William Haine said that seeking a mistrial was a way for defense attorney Leon Scroggins to "pull the plug on what he felt was a bad case."

Scroggins could not be reached Friday for comment.

Before calling the mistrial Friday, Keshner also heard a motion from the state to keep Scroggins from using entrapment as a defense. Keshner ruled in the state's favor.

"You can't have it both ways," Keshner said of his ruling on the state's motion.

"You can't say, 'I didn't do it and then say, 'If you think I did it, there was entrapment,'" Haine said.

Haine said Carney will be tried in June.

"You think there — we're going to be there," Haine said.

Haine said he was stunned by the declaration of a mistrial, something he said there was no basis for.

"A statement made about a jury trial prejudices the state if anybody," Haine said.

"This happens way too often. The people we've got to be allowed to try this case without a judge substituting what he thinks the rules ought to be for what the rules are."

Keshner said he did not reach the decision lightly.

"Not that any decision a judge makes is reached lightly, but I really agonized with this," Keshner said. "I know how much time and money both sides have invested in this."

Keshner said he felt that, if a guilty verdict had been returned and was appealed, the appellate court would have overturned the verdict.

The defendant was alleged to have bought child pornography from a fictitious agency created by the federal government.

It was contested that Carney purchased the "erotic, bizarre" child pornographic movies.

"He flat out tells them what he wants. He ordered it and U.S. Customs delivered it," Jensen said during opening statements Wednesday.

"That's the case in a nutshell. It's a simple case."

Scroggins said he planned to prove the government enticed Carney to buy pornography he otherwise would not have.

Carney was charged with possessing child pornography in April 1990 after he allegedly ordered and received several items from Artists International, the fictitious agency created by the government. The first trial ended in a hung jury.

A government attorney testified that in the second trial that Carney was one of 5,700 people solicited by mail to order pornographic material. Agents obtained the mailing list from a pornographic distributor prosecuted by the government.

Carney responded and asked Artists International to send him a general brochure, Jensen said. The company replied that he needed to be more specific.

"They flat out tells them what he wants," the prosecutor said.

The government, Jensen said, created the fictitious Belgium-based agency to try to curb child pornography in the United States.

Many of the movies and other material circulating throughout the nation are made in Europe and shipped overseas, he said, and the best way to tackle the problem is to "eliminate the demand."

Since 1985, federal authorities have investigated 6,000 child pornography cases, the government agent testified.

It's going on all over the world. It's very hard to control. It's very much hush-hush," Jensen said.

"Movies are being made; movies are being sold; movies are being traded. It is a prevalent problem today in this country."

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NEWS

Local woman helping in fight against medical care cutbacks

A Lewis and Clark Community College student fighting medical care cutbacks is getting some help.

As Scott Osburn wades into the political stream, he is finding allies in his fight to restore the Aid for the Medically Indigent.

"It really has started to spread," Osburn said. He is planning a statewide petition drive to tell the legislature about the need for this benefit.

His new allies include a Granite City woman whose AMI coverage was also cut and U.S. Rep. Jerry Costello, D-Bellwood.

At a meeting in Wood River, Osburn decided to bring the state problem to Costello's attention.

"I wasn't sure if he could do anything, since he was from the federal government and it's a

state issue, but he said it didn't make a difference," Osburn said.

Osburn and more than 500 Madison County residents lost the benefits, aimed at helping low-income people pay for medical care, was denied for people whose income qualified them for Medicaid but were ineligible because they did not satisfy other requirements.

A woman who has epilepsy, used the program to pay for his daily medication and frequent medical tests.

Congressman Costello told me to write a letter and he would go to work on it," Osburn said.

Alberta Haynes of Granite City, who must take daily medication to control diabetes, contacted Osburn after reading about his fight.

"I'm hoping the state will reinstate AMI. There are too many people without medical cards that need them," Haynes said.

Haynes, like the rest of 22,500 people statewide, cut off by budget cuts, must struggle to find money to purchase life-saving medication.

"The doctor just gave me a prescription for 100 tablets for diabetes and it cost \$50.00. I don't have the money to pay for it and I've had to borrow it," Haynes said.

Osburn is trying to establish a non-profit organization called AMI Now to help raise money for postage and travel expenses.

He can be reached by writing 8825 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, Ill. 62043.

— From the Alton Telegraph

•Costello

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reduction.

Asked about the "notch" babies, who receive reduced Social Security benefits if their parents are retired, Costello said the bill he sponsored to do away with the "notch" provision is still before the House.

"But I'll be honest, it will not pass," he said. AARP (American Association of Retired Persons) testified against removing the notch. And, even if the legislators choose to go against AARP, President George Bush said he will veto it, Costello said.

"AARP represented them-

selves as the voice of all of its members, so I would suggest you write AARP and tell them how you feel."

Asked about trade, Costello said, "There is no such thing as free trade, there is only trade or no trade. It's not that simple. But there is nothing free about trade."

Costello said he believes every American "should have the right to buy goods manufactured in Japan, Germany, Korea, Mexico or anywhere else," but said the citizens in those countries should have the same right to buy American goods.

The costs of manufacturing in America, he said, include having to pay a minimum wage, a pro-

hibition of child labor, clean air requirements, other environmental restrictions, and other costs for the good of the people.

He said that, if other countries can produce things cheaper because they lack those restrictions, goods from those countries will be more expensive.

Costello closed his meeting by stressing the importance of sparing ideas.

"If you have solutions, or answers, tell me," Costello said. "I know the solutions are out there."

•Care

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learned a lot," Jodi Gibson of Collinsville said following the meeting. "Now I'm going to get more involved in this, this is something I really is important."

Ed Clark of Collinsville said he came to listen "to see if any of the (plans) make any sense."

"At my age, I need health care and I'm just getting outrageous anymore," he said. "They're going to have to do something soon, for the middle class. We're the ones who are paying for everything, and we're getting sick and tired of it."

Gephhardt said health care is an economic and competitive issue.

"We spend 13 percent of our gross national product on health care, and we're not the only ones," he said.

"The German plan is to care for everyone from the cradle to the grave," he said. "They care of everything that you need. It may not be the best thing in the world, but it's sure as hell what we have now."

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•Plan

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versity at Edwardsville, will still get 3 percent cuts, costing SIUE about \$1.5 million.

Edgar praised legislative differences for "settling aside a serious problem" in a spirit of compromise.

Also involved was a small program for low-income elderly.

The budget deal puts back \$28 million of the \$37 million threat.

The agreement also prevents \$5.5 million of the \$17 million in special education cuts proposed earlier and restores \$5.2 million of the \$12 million textbook program.

However, about \$60 million for

some highway projects may be delayed but there will be little impact on construction devices, including beacons and cellular telephones, on District 12 school property.

Students who violate this policy will be subject to conviction for the device, prosecution and suspension or expulsion from school.

The policy does not apply to people possessing beacons in an official capacity, such as law enforcement personnel, firefighters, medical personnel or school officials.

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Cheerleading clinic Monday

The Granite City High School Cheerleading Organization will sponsor a cheerleading clinic on Monday, Jan. 20, at the high school annex.

The clinic will begin at 8 a.m. for those not pre-registered and \$30 for those already registered. It will end at 1 p.m.

Participants will receive instruction in gymnastics, pyramid building, double stunts, sideline chants, cheerleading jumps and center choreography.

Everyone attending the clinic should bring a sack lunch. A drink will be provided by the

cheerleaders. Bakery items will be available for purchase during lunch.

The cost of the clinic is \$15 per person; however, additional children from the same family need only pay \$10 each. The \$15 clinic price includes a souvenir sweatshirt.

Everyone attending must have a signed parent permission form and provide their own insurance.

Children attending the clinic must be at least 8 years old. All participants should wear shorts or warm-ups and tennis shoes, with no jewelry or gum chewing.

55-Alive driving course planned

The 55-Alive driving course will be available starting Monday, Jan. 27, in Granite City.

The program is designed to increase older drivers' awareness of the natural age-related physical changes in vision, hearing, and reaction time, as they affect driving, and to increase awareness of appropriate techniques for driving in today's complex traffic patterns.

The course will be held at the Granite City Campus of Belleville Area College, 4950 Maryville Road, on Monday and Tuesday, Jan. 27 and 28, from 9 a.m.

to 1 p.m. in Room 316.

The cost per person is \$8 for the two-day session and may be paid on the first day of class.

Those 65 years of age and older are eligible.

Most insurance companies will allow a discount on insurance premiums for seniors who have taken the course.

For further information or to register for the class, seniors may call the BAC's Retired Senior Volunteer Program in Granite City at 931-0600 (ext. 646) between the hours of 9 a.m. and 12:45 p.m.



The boxes of food collected by Council 1098 of the Knights of Columbus.

Council 1098 collects for needy

On Dec. 22 Council 1098 Knights of Columbus packaged 41 boxes of food for the needy.

The boxes were delivered to the needy by Council members in time for Christmas.

Also 11 fruit baskets were taken to the nursing homes and shut in members of Council 1098.

A Christmas party for the children was also held with Santa giving out gifts.

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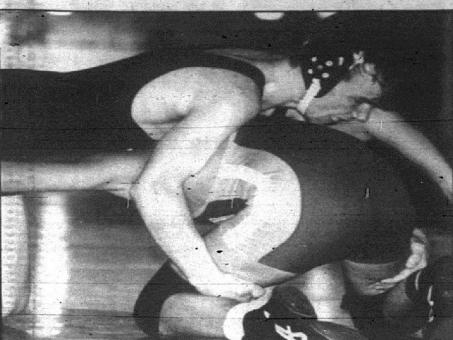
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Sports



(Staff photo by Pam Deepke-Hurd)
Jason Moerlien and the rest of the Warrior wrestlers face a busy week ahead.

Garland reserves judgment about undefeated wrestlers

By Brian Henry
Correspondent

Fact: The Warrior wrestling team is 13-0 in dual meets. The only "loss" was when Granite City finished second in the Springfield Tournament to New Lenox Providence, which is ranked second nationally. After Friday's 37-9 shelling of Wood River, coach Mike Garland is not ready to proclaim his team the area's best.

"All these things are good and well," said Garland. "But we're



Chris Hoffstot
... 20th win

not No. 1 until we beat Cahokia and Belleville East in the regionals, win sectionals and go to state."

Garland switched the line-up and built around several of the lighter wrestlers up a class. He wanted to give some wrestlers an opportunity to wrestle heavier opponents.

Tim Fugate, a freshman

wrestling in his first varsity

match, got things started at 103

pounds. He dropped Paul Corrigan of the Oilers in 22 seconds

for the quick start of the match.

It was off to a "good start so far," said Garland. "We've got him for four years and hopefully he can keep that going."

"We're going to be young next year. We wanted to take a look

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By Dave Whaley
Staff writer

There was a strange smell in the visitors' locker room in East St. Louis on Friday evening. But it didn't come from the Warriors.

Granite City emitted a sweet smell — probably its finest of the season — as its 10 points improved to 2-2 in Southwestern Conference play and 9-5 overall with a thoroughly convincing 81-47 win over the East St. Louis Flyers.

Drake Marshall scored 30 points and the Smith twins added 14 more.

"That's how we can play," said a very pleased Bill Ohendorf, who stepped outside the locker room to talk to get away from that strange odor. "There

were only a couple of breakdowns all night. Everyone played the type of game he's capable of."

It was a contest from the beginning. The Flyers (3-3, 8-6) got the game's first basket, but that was their only lead. Marshall hit the first of his four 3-pointers for a 5-2 Warriors lead.

It was 7-4 when the Warriors scored the last 12 points of the first quarter, and East St. Louis never threatened again.

I hope it stays like this," said Jeff Kult, who scored 22 points in 11-of-14 shooting. "We've been

hearing at school about how we've been playing, especially with how well the wrestling team is doing."

(See WARRIORS, Page 4B)

Razor-sharp Warriors cut down Flyers

By Brian Henry
Correspondent

The Lady Warriors won their fifth in a row Friday, but they did it the hard way, beating Collinsville 74-70 to tie the game at 67-67. Caryn Chasteen scored 12 in the final quarter to help lead her team back. Chasteen led all scorers with 30 points, including seven 3-pointers.

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balanced attack, with four players scoring in double figures. Jamie Cavaness, though hampered by the flu, scored 16 points and pulled down 13 rebounds.

Stephanie Kult added a career-high 16 points

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Karl Cimberich	0	5	4	19
Jessica Cimberich	1	0	1	1
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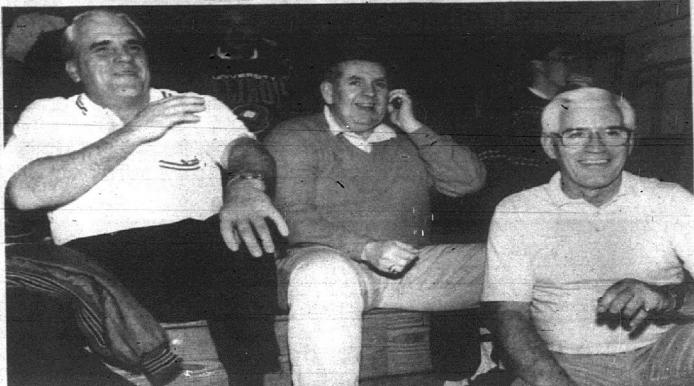
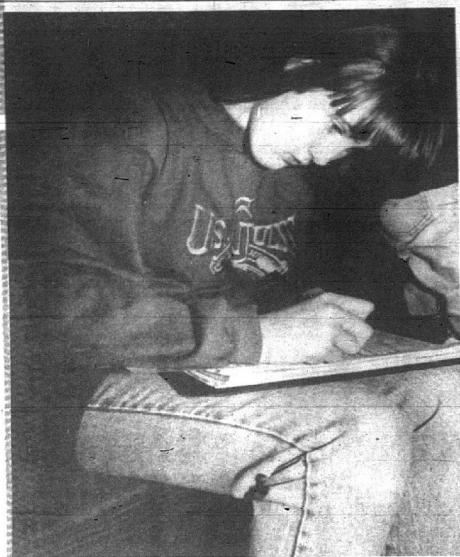
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Sportfolio

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LEFT: The "coaches corner" at a Warrior basketball game includes, left to right, Pat Schuman, Jim Davis and Ron Dillard.



ABOVE: Dawn Gorsuch keeps stats at a Lady Warrior basketball game. RIGHT: Jennifer Wortham leads the Lady Warriors out for a game.



LEFT: Madison cheerleader Jillian Jones (left) takes a look at Alexis Williams, sitting with LaTonya Nelson at a Trojan basketball game. BELOW: Venice fans Michaela Virginia and Birthia Clover whoop it up at a Red Devil game.

Scoreboard

Standings

Southwestern Conference Boys basketball

Team	Cont.	W	L	Total
Belleville	1	0	10	1
Belleville	2	4	0	8
GRANITE CITY	3	2	9	4
East St. Louis	2	3	8	6
Alton	1	2	8	6
Belleville East	0	5	3	8

Southwestern Conference Girls basketball

Team	Cont.	W	L	Total
Alton	1	1	11	4
Belleville East	2	4	10	5
GRANITE CITY	3	2	10	5
Collinsville	3	4	10	7
East St. Louis	2	3	11	6
Belleville East	0	5	3	9

Basketball Tournaments

Salem Tournament

Game 1	Game 2	Game 3	Game 4
Wednesday, Jan. 22			
Game 1: Mt. Vernon vs. Triad, 7 p.m.			
Game 2: Centralia vs. Wood River, 8:30 p.m.			
Thursday, Jan. 23			
Game 3: Mt. Vernon vs. Triad, 7 p.m.			
Game 4: Centralia vs. Wood River, 8:30 p.m.			

Third place

Game 5: Game 1 winner vs. Game 2 winner, 7 p.m.

Game 6: Game 3 winner vs. Game 4 winner, 8:30 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 25

Consolation semifinals

Game 7: Game 1 loser vs. Game 2 loser, 4:30 p.m.

Game 8: Game 3 loser vs. Game 4 loser, 2 p.m.

Tournament championship

Game 5 winner vs. Game 6 winner, 8 p.m.

Sparta Tournament

Tuesday, Jan. 21

VENICE vs. BELLEVILLE, 6:30 p.m.

Sparta vs. Lebanon, 8 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 24

Lebanon vs. VENICE, 6:30 p.m.

Belleville vs. Sparta, 8 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 25

Coulterville vs. Lebanon, 6:30 p.m.

Sparta vs. VENICE, 8 p.m.

Belleville East Invitational

Tuesday, Jan. 21

Game 1: Belleville West vs. Cahokia, 7 p.m.

Game 2: O'Fallon vs. Belleville East, 8:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 22

Game 3: Carbondale vs. Althoff, 7 p.m.

Game 4: Edwardsville vs. MADISON, 8:30 p.m.

Thursday, Jan. 23

Game 5: Loser Game 1 vs. winner Game 2, 7 p.m.

Game 6: Winner Game 1 vs. winner Game 2, 8:30 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 24

Game 7: Loser Game 1 vs. loser Game 4, 7 p.m.

Game 8: Winner Game 3 vs. winner Game 4, 8:30 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 25

Consolation final: Winner Game 5 vs. Winner Game 7, 5:30 p.m.

Third place: Game 6 vs. loser Game 8, 7 p.m.

Championship: Winner Game 6 vs. winner Game 8, 8:30 p.m.

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VARSITY STANDINGS (through Jan. 15)

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SPORTS



Dave Whaley

Warrior matmen right on schedule for huge season

You could see it coming two years ago.

The Warrior wrestling team was made up almost entirely of sophomores in 1990. Still, they managed a 14-12 dual meet record and sent six wrestlers to sectional competition. One of them, 103-pound sophomore Ryan King, made it to state.

It didn't take long for the future of the team to become clear. This year's team was made up by those sophomores that Granite City would be a powerhouse in 1992. By then all those talented but inexperienced sophomores would have turned into talented, battle-tested seniors.

They're right on schedule.

Mike Garland's Warriors are unquestionably one of the best and have to be counted among the state's best. They already have four 20-match winners (Pat Scheffer, Ryan King, Mark McDaniel and Al Willard) and could have as many as 12 before the season ends. There are only 13 weight classes.

The lone soft spot is 152 pounds. Garland has three set all-time records with little success (6-13 overall). But no team is perfect, although this one appears to be as close as any.

Right now, it would appear the Warriors have had a decent chance of advancing at least to the sectional in the other 12 weight classes.

The regional will be in Cahokia on Feb. 1 with the individual sectionals in Granite City on Feb. 14. From there, it's on to state Feb. 21-22 in Champaign. Garland took four wrestlers (Scheffer, King, Chris Hoffstot and Jerry Koscielny) to the north and you. He might need a bigger bus this time.

In team competition, the Warriors have to be one of Cahokia's. The Comanches have advanced to state each of the last five years. Granite City will face Cahokia in the final regular season bout Feb. 1, and that should give a good lead-off. The regional will go in the regional final Feb. 11. From there, it's the team sectional Feb. 25 against regional winners from Wood River, Grafton and Granite City. The eight-team state meet Feb. 28 at Illinois State University.

Garland, 91-31 in dual meets after this year's 12-0 start, is in his second year as coach. He's constantly preaching the fact that everyone knows about his team now, and they will be out to get the Warriors. Garland knows that what happens in December and January means nothing if it isn't carried over to February.

But if you think the Warriors have been beaten down after the words of Belleville East coach Norm Dahn after the Jan. 10 match:

"Who cares what the score was? I was pleased with our team effort. It was like they won in a way, they did."

That was after Dahn's Lancers had been beaten 42-20. When the opposition is claiming moral victory after a convincing decision like that, it's obvious how good this team is.

Traveling from Granite City to Belleville and back home on a Friday night, then getting up the next morning and riding to St. Charles, Mo., for a long day of wrestling is tough. So all the Warriors could manage was a 69-point victory in the St. Charles Tournament. They placed no lower than third in 12 of the 13 weight classes.

Impressive.

I hate to put too much pressure on them, but all signs point to plenty of excitement in the next six weeks. Perhaps these guys — and not Ric Flair — are the REAL world champions.

(Dave Whaley is the sports editor of the Press-Record.)



9 Pin No Tap winners announced

Winners have been announced in the 9 Pin No Tap tournament held Dec. 28 at Granite Bowl. Joe Byrd, 14, placed first in the Bantam/Prep Division. He is the son of Richard and Shirley Byrd. Second went to Maria Roday, 6, the daughter of Bruce and Leslie Graham. Third went to Chris Hildreth, 9, son of Gary and Belinda Hildreth. Each bowler got a plaque. Each bowler got a plaque.

Price is right at McKendree game Jan. 24

Dixie Price of Granite City will be advertising at the McKendree-College women's basketball game Jan. 24.

Price is one of seven freshmen on the Lady Bearcat squad of first-year coach Ann DeBoe. Any resident of Granite

and Leslie Graham. Placing first in the Major Juniors division was Robert Brocksher, 15, the son of Robert and Margie Brocksher. Second was Chris Hildreth, 17, son of Gary and Belinda Hildreth. Third went to Chris Roday, 12, son of Bruce and Brenda Roday. Each bowler got a plaque.

City with proper identification, will be admitted to the 7 p.m. game against Washington University free of charge.

The game will be played at the Melvin Price Convocation Center on the McKendree College campus in Lebanon.

Sports medicine talk set at SFF on Feb. 3

Dan Stephens, a certified medical trainer, will speak on sports medicine service at Soccer For Fun on Feb. 3.

Stephens works out of St. Elizabeth Medical Center and helps with Granite City High School athletes. He will speak at 6:30 p.m. Feb. 3 at SFF, 4141 Highway 111 in Pontoon Beach.

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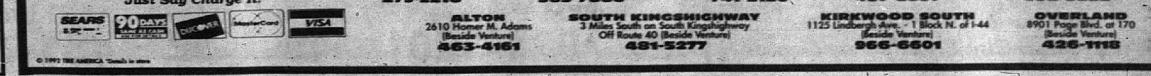
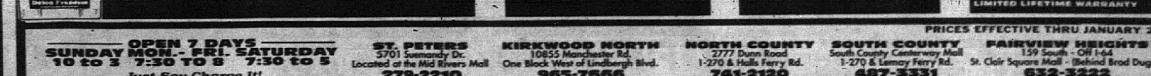
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SPORTS

•Girls

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Chasteen after she didn't hand the ball to the official when he requested it. She had a lead of two free throws to make at 29-26 and the Lady Warriors went on to take a 40-28 lead at the intermission.

"They didn't put on their full-court press, they did last time," said Lady Warrior coach Allen Lohdell. "We were able to get the ball up the court and control the inside."

"I think after we'd be a little leg-weary after last night's game (a 68-64 loss to unbeaten Jerseyville)," said Collinsville coach Paul Harrington. "We were really flat in the first half."

Granite City held a 23-10 rebounding edge in the first half and outrebounded the Lady Kahoks 43-25 for the game. Stayed on the court inside game, the Lady Warriors pounded their way to a 58-41 lead after three quarters and it appeared they would easily put it away.

But the Lady Kahoks slipped away and Crenshaw calmly hit both two free throws with five seconds left to send the game to overtime.

But the Lady Warriors responded for their fifth straight win in an undefeated January.

"Obviously, this is a real big win in the conference," said Lohdell. "This wasn't a good consistent effort. We still have some room to improve. We're not where we want to be yet."

•Wrestling

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at some things that will give us an idea of what we'll have next year."

Pat Scheffer, one of seven Warriors moved up a weight class, won by forfeit at 112. After the Stay (119) loss, the 8-7 decision, Pat King (125) edged Brian Hoffstot 10-8 for a 1-3 lead.

The Oliers' Nick Milazzo (130) and Chuck Mellor (140) recorded victories sandwiched around a pinfall victory by Brian King over Dan Hines (135). The Mellor win was the last Wood River would have as Granite City took the last six matches.

"To give an idea of how much the Warriors dominated, none of the last six bouts lasted more

•Warriors

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But the Warriors didn't have to take a backseat to any team Friday night when their school beat any other. They shot 56 percent from the field.

"Three of our four days of practice this week were very good," said Ohlendorf. "I kind of thought we had turned the corner when we had a good win last Friday. The nice thing is it's a long season. There's plenty of time to correct some things."

Ohlendorf kept his starters in long time Friday. He wanted to keep them sharp for another conference game Saturday against Alton. They were sharp the whole way.

"It's just been a matter of execution," said Ohlendorf. "I guess it's kind of off the Christmas break worked out good for us."

The Warriors are 3-1 in the new year and have racked up two easy wins in a row. Cahokia (118) and Alton (125) still beat them, but Granite City has beaten them by a combined 61 points.

"I'm a little surprised with East St. Louis," said Ohlendorf. "They just didn't respond tonight. But I didn't feel they really played all that hard against Collinsville when I saw them either."

"We had heard they were struggling with their rebound-

ing," Jeff Smith said. "We probably should have had more rebounds than we did (a 26-23 edge)."

Flyer guard Fernando Stevenson was 0 for 8 from the field and didn't score. Corey Cole led East Side with 16 points, but most of them came in the fourth quarter (69-64 overtime loss last Friday). The nice thing is it's a long season. There's plenty of time to correct some things."

Ohlendorf kept his starters in long time Friday. He wanted to keep them sharp for another conference game Saturday against Alton. They were sharp the whole way.

Nunes led the bench brigade with five points, including a 3-pointer.

"Michael Dochwal played one of his smartest games," said Ohlendorf. "Brian Smith (17 points) keeps coming on. Drake is shooting very well, and Jeff continues to have his normal good game. John Cozlar played hard and smart. It works when all your starters are doing the job."

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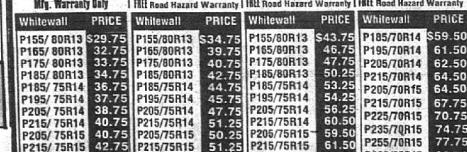
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Seniors' 'Line Dance' class is reactivated

Maxine Duniphan covers the Mitchell area for the Press-Record/Journal. She can be contacted at 931-2714.

Members of the Chouteau Township Senior Citizens have reactivated their "Line Dance" classes following their Christmas hiatus.

The group meets on Thursday evening two to three times a month. They practice several Line Dance routines as well as some Hula Dance moves. The seniors all agree that aside from the social benefits of dancing, dancing also provides an enjoyable form of exercise.



Maxine Duniphan

McKinnon and special guest, Mary's daughter, Peggy McKinnon, was here from Charlotte, N.C. visiting relatives. She is a flight attendant with the U.S. Airlines in Charlotte.

Dorothy Castle will be the hostess for the club's February meeting.

Several musicians and their families met at the Chouteau Township Social Center for a pre-Christmas Jamboree on Dec. 1.

The guests included members from several area music groups and represented many musical talents.

Everyone enjoyed a pot-luck dinner, music and dancing.

Debra Scott of West Chain of Rocks Road is recovering from Christian Northeast Hospital. "Recovering beautifully," she says, from foot surgery.

The Rev. Bo Schultz assumed his duties as the new pastor of Faith Chapel General Baptist Church on Sunday, Jan. 12. The Rev. Schultz is a dynamic speaker with a positive attitude. He and his wife Frances and their three children, George, James and Jennifer, make their home in Midlothian.

Faith Chapel is located at the corner of Ashland and Springfield avenues. Everyone is welcome. Doors open at 9 a.m., and Sunday school at 9:45 a.m., and Sunday evening worship service at 10:15 a.m. Sunday and Wednesday evening services begin at 6 p.m. for the duration of Daylight Savings Time. With the time change in the spring, meeting time will return to 7 p.m.

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John Lithgow, left, and Aidan Quinn portray fundamentalist missionaries who are threatened by Indians outside a mission station in "At Play in the Fields of the Lord."

Amazon drama is poignant film

By Harry Hamm
Correspondent

Although it has a basic plot structure, director Hector Babenco's panoramic and lush drama "At Play in the Fields of the Lord" offers a poignant and moving story.

Set in the rugged Amazon rain forest of South America, "At Play in the Fields of the Lord" has a large, well-known and talented cast that presents a moving story on the subject of cultural and ethical rights amid Brazil's aggressive development policies.

Set in the fictitious, rundown Amazon River town of Mae de Deus, the film stars Tom Berenger as Lewis Moon, an aviator who also is a mercenary, and Tom Waits, who plays Moon's

part-Cheyenne friend, Wolf.

Moon and Wolf land their plane on a small wilderness airstrip after running low on fuel. They are detained by local officials who want the pair to scare off some native Indians who are sitting on a valuable vein of gold.

Wolf and Moon are soon joined by a husband and wife team of fundamentalist missionaries, Martin and Hazel Quarrier, played by Aidan Quinn and Kathy Bates. Rounding out the civilized population are two of their element are John Lithgow and Daryl Hannah as Les and Andy Heubens, a pair of fervent proselytizers.

It's an unlikely group, to be sure.

As the leisurely tale unfolds, Moon decides to become a member of the Indian tribe he is supposed to be scaring. In addition,

conflict develops between the Quarriers and the rigid, doctrinaire Leslie Heesen.

Meanwhile, the Indians find themselves and their culture threatened by progress, civilization and religion.

"At Play in the Fields of the Lord" allows the Quarriers to develop central roles in a steady, elaborative fashion, which is partially responsible for this film's almost three-hour running time.

The result is a thorough and meaningful effort, a motion picture that puts together perfectly the threat to the natural serenity and beauty of its setting by the ugly, unnatural hostilities of the outsiders.

Ratings reflect radio station changes

By Ian MacBryde
Correspondent

The recently completed fall Arbitron ratings of the St. Louis radio market indicate that a couple of stations may have turned the slipping fortunes around.

Certainly, executives at KEZK-FM (102) and WKBQ-FM (106) are breathing a little easier because of the new numbers, which cover the Sept. 19 through Dec. 19 period.

KEZK, second in overall ratings a year ago with a 7.9 share among listeners aged 12 and over, clocked in at a 4.4 rating—ninth highest in the market. But the good news for the station was that the number represents a 25.7 percent increase above its summer ratings.

KEZK took a terrible ratings bath when it was announced in January 1991 that the station changed its format from "easy listening" to a more upbeat "soft rock." The station now no longer sounds like a summer ratings.

KEZK also finished eighth among listeners aged 25 to 54, an important age category for advertisers. That represents a 10.4 percent increase above the summer ratings.

Ironically, the program director who engineered the change in format was not around when the broadcast finally started. Steve Janoski left the station during the fall ratings period.

If my ear is any judge, KEZK is continuing to tinker with its format, but seems to be hitting more mellow each week.

Last month, Bob Burch, the station's operations manager who

also is acting as program director, said the station "would be" making adjustments.

Executive at WKBQ also must have been delighted to see the new ratings. The station experienced a huge drop in measured audience level between spring and summer. The station is seventh in place overall and moved to ninth from 12th among adults aged 25 to 54 on the strength of a 4.3 percent increase.

Perched on top of the ratings is perennial leader KMOX-AM (1120), which may have received a boost from increased advertising from the St. Louis Rams.

The station's audience rating of 17.1 among listeners aged 12 and older is up half a point from last fall.

The stations' ratings were up 29 percent among male listeners aged 18 to 54. These may be the same people who are calling sports-talk shows to call for the head of St. Louis Mayor in Brian Sutter, because the team is not meeting what apparently are increased expectations.

The KMOX numbers are down from the summer rating period (11.9 percent), but the station is a function of the season.

Rock station KSHE-FM (95) is second in ratings among listeners aged 18 to 54, although the numbers are down somewhat.

Elsewhere in morning drive time, some significant changes might reflect the departure from

KSD of personality J.C. Corcoran. You will recall that the controversial Corcoran, who probably offended everyone in the market at one time or another, left the station early this fall, apparently never to return with management.

The station's numbers for the morning drive time—Corcoran time—showed an overall drop of 10 percent among listeners aged 25 to 54. That consisted of a 32 percent drop in male listeners, but a 41 percent increase in female listeners.

The ratings for stations among listeners aged 18 and over were: (1) KMOX, 17.1; (2) KSHE, 8.8; (3) KMMJ-FM (108), 7.4; (4) WIL, 6.7; (5) KYKY-FM (98), 6.2; (6) KSD, 5.9; (7) WKBQ, 5.0; (8) KEZK, 4.4; (9) KLOU-FM (104), 2.6.

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